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Draft Notification on the Import of Tulipwood from the United States

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Sanitary/Phytosanitary/Food Safety

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Report Highlights:

On December 15, 2010, the Ministry of Agriculture, Government of India (GOI) issued a draft notification proposing additional declarations and special conditions for the import of tulipwood from the United States.

General Information:

Introduction:

On December 15, 2010, the Department of Agriculture and Cooperation, Ministry of Agriculture, Government of India (GOI) published a draft notification proposing additional declarations and special conditions for the import of tulipwood from the United States.

Disclaimer: This summary is based on a cursory review of the subject announcement and therefore should not be viewed, under any circumstances, as a definitive reading of the regulation in question, or of its implications for U.S. agricultural export trade interests.

Details on the draft notification dated December 15, 2010

Type of Regulation: Draft

Public Notice Date in India: December 15, 2010

Final Date for Comments in India: February 20, 2011

Final Gazette Publication Date: April 01, 2011 (tentative)

Notification to the WTO: Not notified (as of January 06, 2011)

WTO Comment Period: 60 days from the date of WTO notification

Exporters and others who wish to comment should submit comments to the Government of India by following the instructions provided via the link[#] below.

Products Affected: The rules shall apply to imports of tulipwood (*liriodendron tulipifera*) in the form of timber logs with/without bark and meant for direct consumption. The notification shall come into force on the date of final publication in the official Gazette.

Agency In charge: Department of Agriculture & Cooperation, Ministry of Agriculture, GOI

Notification Text as published: The link to the 'Draft Plant Quarantine (Regulation of Import into India) (Eighth Amendment) Order, 2010' is presently available at following link[#] (<http://agricoop.nic.in/Gazette/DPQ161210.pdf>) available on Ministry of Agriculture's website.